CHAPTER NO. 186

SENATE BILL NO. 607

By Ford

Substituted for: House Bill No. 1361

By John DeBerry, Henri Brooks

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68, Chapter 2, Part 6, relative to health department fees for vector control.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68, Chapter 2, Part 6, is amended by adding the following language as a new section:

Section 68-2-610. (a) In any county having a population in excess of eight hundred thousand (800,000), according to the 2000 federal census or any subsequent federal census, which has a health department operating an urban and rural sanitation program to prevent and/or reduce the transmission of vector borne disease, the county legislative body is authorized to establish a vector control fee which may be assessed and collected from each ratepayer in the county. This fee shall not exceed one dollar ($1.00) per ratepayer per month and shall be used exclusively by the county for the operation of the aforementioned program. In any such county with multiple utilities, the fee shall be assessed by only one utility as determined by the county legislative body.

(b) The county providing such service is authorized to enter into a contract:

(1) For the collection of such vector control fees with any public or private corporation or municipal utilities board or commission operating a water, gas or electric system other than an electric cooperative incorporated under the provisions of the Rural Electric and Community Services Cooperative Act, compiled in Title 65, Chapter 25, Part 2, in the area in which vector control services are provided; or

(2) With any other city, town or utility district to bill and collect vector control fees as a designated item on its utility bill.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 5, 2005

JOHN S. WILDER
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

JIMMY NAIFEH, *SPEAKER*
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 19th day of May 2005

PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR